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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of two (2) months from May 3, 2006 to August 3, 2006 within which to respond to the Final Office Action dated February 3, 2006. A check in the amount of \$510.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the extension fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 04-1420.

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